

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and the following remarks.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication in the Office Action that claims 1-6 are allowed.

The abstract has been amended to overcome the applied objection.

Claim 7 has been amended in the manner suggested in the Office Action for overcoming the 35 USC 101 rejection applied thereto. Specifically, claim 7 has been amended to recite an apparatus and, thereby, tie the recited subject matter to a statutory category. Support for the amendment is provided at least in original claim 4. Therefore, allowance of claim 7 is deemed to be warranted.

Withdrawn claims 8-10 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer with respect to the filing of a divisional application.

In view of the above, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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